

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 10/709,417	Applicant(s) DOWNEY, DARRELL KEITH	
	Examiner Andrea M. Valenti	Art Unit 3643	

All Participants:

(1) Andrea M. Valenti.

(2) Richard D. Fuerle.

Date of Interview: 16 March 2006

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
N/A

Claims discussed:
1, 7, 13, 19, and 20

Prior art documents discussed:
N/A

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.


☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

Status of Application: Examiner's amendment

(3) _____

(4) _____

Time: 10:03 am



(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner contacted applicant for approval for an examiner's amendment to claims 1, 7, 13, 19 and 20. See attached Examiner's amendment for the details of the changes. Changes were made to clarify the language of the claims. Examiner requested that we put the limitations of claim 7 into claim 1. Also, requested adding the limitation that the bottom of the tube substantially contacts the ground surface. The remainder of the proposed changes merely clarify the language of already presented concepts within claims 1, 19 and 20. Applicant representative's telephone was broken so approval for the examiner's amendment was given via e-mail..